

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A portable, heat-sensitive scanner unit capable of electronic communication with a central database storage facility via a computer unit online system (laptop or desktop PC). The scanner unit has an area on its top surface to receive biometric information such as a fingerprint from an individual. The scanned biometric data is to be compared with data previously obtained from the individual, which data has been stored in the central database. A yellow light is activated on the scanner to confirm that the individual's finger has been properly placed on the scanner and that verification is in process. If identification is verified and approved without any restrictions, a green light is activated. If identification is not verified and approved or there are restrictions, a red light will be activated on the scanner unit to alert officials that further processing of the individual must be made.